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THE REHEARSAL.

1. The *Image* of *Whiggiſm* given in my laſt ſhew'd to be Juſt.
2. A ſhort *Hiſtory* of that Great *Tyrant LIBERTY.*
3. All the *Governments* in the World are his *Prey.*
4. He makes every *Conſtitution* to be *Tyranny*, as well as the *Adminiſtration.*
5. With a *Non-Obſtante* to *Jure Divino.*
6. The *Review* diligently *Avoids* the *Argument.*
7. Which he *Maliciouſly* ſays is *Unſeaſonable* as to the *Queen.*
8. *He* denies her *Title* by *Proximity* of *Blood.*
9. He makes the *Parliament SACRED*, and *Superior* to Her.
10. He makes every *King* or *Queen* a *Tyrant* who Govern according to *Law.* And how he has *Enlighten'd* England.

SATURDAY, *March* 26. 1709.

(1.) *Country-man.* YOU have *Roaſted* the *Whiggs* (Maſter) but they ſay it was not proper to make a *Pig* ſpeak upon the *Spit.*

Rehearſal. I only made her *Squeek*— But as to the *Image* I there gave of the *Whiggs*, I appeal to every body whether it was not juſt in every Part? Do we not ſee it now before our Eyes? How long has *Poland* been *Roaſted* betwixt the two *Fires* of *Liberty* and *Property*? Baſted with the *Liberty* to the *Sword*, to the *Famine*, and to the *Peſtilence*; and yet don't She ſtill Cry *Liberty!*

(2.) *Country-m.* Here's a *Tyrant* for you! The more he *Deſtroys*, the more we're in Love with him! What *Havock* has *Liberty* made in the World! He firſt rais'd a *Civil-War* in *Heaven* againſt the Government of an Abſolute *King*, and was there call'd *Belial.* He preach'd *Liberty* to *Adam* and *Eve*, and ruin'd their whole *Poſterity.* He open'd his *Mouth*, and ſwallow'd *Korah*, *Dathan* and *Abiram*, with all their *Families*, Quick into *Hell.* He divided the 12 *Tribes*, made them *Deſtroy* one another, and at laſt become a Prey to their *Enemies.* He made a *Slaughter-Houſe* of *Greece* and *Rome* for many Ages. And what *Nation* has not been *Devour'd* by him! *York* and *Lancaſter*, *Forty One* &c. are all the Glories of his *Reign!* He now *Triumphs* in *Poland.* And is Shaking the Noble City of *Hamburgh* in pieces. Wherever he comes, he brings *Ruin* and *Deſolation* along with him! He has more than once ſet *England* in a *Flame*; and Quench'd her in her own *Blood!* And his *Orators* are now at Work among us, to Juſtifie his *Proceedings*, to Maintain his *Title*, and to Praiſe his *Clemency!*

(3.) *Rehearſ.* It is *Inſatiable!* He is never Weary to *Devour!* Nor can ever want *Pretence!* For he has ſet down this *Maxim* in the *Review*, Vol. 2. p. 327. That *Abſolute Rule muſt be Tyrannical.* This reaches all the *Governments* that ever were in the World, or that ever can be. For there can be none where there is not *Abſolute Rule* in ſome Hands or other. And this muſt be *Deſtroy'd* wherever it is, that is, all and every *Government*, of what ſort ſoever, upon the Face of all the *Earth!* And whatever can be ſet up in its Place!

(4.) *Country-m.* The *Tyranny* of *Government* us'd heretofore to be put upon the *Adminiſtration.* But now it is upon the *Conſtitution.* Even tho' it be Appointed *Immediately* by *God.* For thus he ſays *ibid.* p. 326. *A Prince holding immediately from God, is Unaccountable, Abſolute and Arbitrary.* Then he Adds, *And that's a Tyrant.* And he Inſtances in *Moſes*, as you have before Quoted him. This is *Dathan* and *Abiram* ſpeaking to us again out of the *Pit!*

(5.) *Rehearſ.* And to include all Caſes, and to Anſwer them all, he Aſſerts this with a *Non Obſtante*, p. 327. *Let Government be never ſo Sacred, and the Line of Governors Jure Divino*—— Yet notwithſtanding of *Sacred* and *Jure Divino*, he ſays ſuch *Governors* ought to be *Reſiſted.* Nay the rather for their being *Jure Divino*, becauſe then they muſt be *Unaccountable*, and that is, ſays he, being *Tyrants.*

Country-m. There's a full *Anſwer* to all you have ſaid of the *Original* and *Deduction* of *Government*! Make them to be *Jure Divino* again—— He makes them to be the *Worſe* for that, and more *Reſiſtable!*

Rehearſ. And he will rather *Rave* and *Blaſpheme* at this Rate, than undertake to Anſwer my Arguments, and the Clear *Evidence* from *Scripture*, *Reaſon*, and the *Laws* of the *Lands!*

(6.) *Country-m.* But he ſays, p. 328. *I diligently Avoid deſcending to Argument.*

Rehearſ.

Rehearſ. He had Reaſon—— But do's he think that his *Avoiding* will gain the *Victory* to his *Cauſe*? Then he that *Runs away* and firſt *Avoids* the *Field* is the *Conquerer*!

Country-m. He ſays, *If I ſhou'd grant Governors as Sacred as Government, and the Inherent Right in all its Extent as it is propos'd, the Matter wou'd not Differ here.*

Rehearſ. Wherein then wou'd it Differ?

(7.) *Country-m.* He ſays, *The Queſtion before me is, Why this Matter is now Debated? And how it can ſuit with any Man's Duty to the Queen?* &c.

Rehearſ. The Matter is Debated now, becauſe ther are a Company of *Traiterous* and *Diſloyal* Subjects, ſuch as *Review*, *Obſervator*, &c. who *Preach* up *Coercion* againſt the *Queen*, and put it in the Power of the *People* to Diſpoil her not only of her *Crown* and *Dignity*, but of her *Life* too, if they think fit. And do's it not ſuit very well with any Man's Duty to the *Queen*, to Endeavour to Preſerve her from ſuch *Rebels* and *Cut-Throats* and to Beat down ſuch *Principles* as Juſtify all this, and *Poiſon* the *People*? One wou'd think this a very Acceptable Service to her *Majeſty*.

(8.) *Country-m.* He has ſomething under his Thumb which he Dare not Expreſs! He ſtrikes Indirectly at her Majeſty's *Title*, and Denys her Right by *Proximity* of *Blood*. He ſays, *We all Acknowledge her to Reign by the Sacred Authority of Parliamentary Limitation.*

Rehearſ. The *Parliament* do's *Recognize* her *Title*. But does it deny her *Proximity* of *Blood*? Does the *Review* deny it? Did not the Loyal *Addreſſes* of the *Nation* upon her *Acceſſion* generally *Acknowledge* it, and *Congratulate* her upon her *Inheriting* the *Throne* of her *Anceſtors*?

(9.) *Country-m.* There you have him— Let him ſpeak againſt it if he Dare! But, *Maſter*, how comes he to give the *Parliament* the Title of *Sacred?* Do they give that *Title* to Themſelves?

Rehearſ. No, *Country-man*, that *Title* is given only to thoſe who hold *Immediatly* from *God*. Therefore it is given to the *King* or *Queen*. But the *Parliament* derive all their *Authority* from the *Crown*, and Stile themſelves his or her *Majeſty's* moſt *Dutiful and Loyal Subjects*.

(10.) *Country-m.* Then his Meaning was to ſet the *Parliament* above the *King*, and to Place them *Next* and *Immediately* under *God*. For his next words are, *Which Parliamentary Limitation is the Supreme Authority of this Nation. All Power that pretends to Superſede it is Tyrannical.*

Rehearſ. If he means that the *Parliament* is the *Supreme Authority* without the *King*, he ſpeaks *Treaſon*. And he makes every *King* or *Queen* a *Tyrant* who pretend to any *Authority* over the *Parliament*, that is, any *King* or *Queen* who ſhall Govern according to the *Law* of *England*; for the *Law* acknowledges great *Authority* in the *King* over the *Parliament*, calls Him the *Head*, the *Beginning* and *End* of *Parliaments*. He gives them *Being* by his *Writ*, and *Diſſolves* them at his *Pleaſure*.

Country-m. Then any *King* or *Queen* who exercíſes this *Authority*, is a *Tyrant* with the *Review* and Men of his *Principles*. And of ſuch a *King* or *Queen* he ſays, p. 327: *No Nation under Heaven, that had two Grains of Reaſon in its Exerciſe, cou'd bear a Tyrant, much more this Enlightned People of England.*

Rehearſ. He has *Enlightned* the *People* of *England* to bear with no *King* or *Queen* whatſoever. With none who have any *Right* from *God*, or *Authority* over the *Parliament*, or indeed over any of the *People*! He wou'd Dethrone God, and Set up *Belial*.

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